# **Saint Maron Maronite Catholic Church**

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# WEEKLY BULLETIN - 07/16/2023 Season of The Glorious Pentecost



#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

MONDAY OFFICE CLOSED TUESDAY – FRIDAY 10:30AM – 4:00PM

Pastor

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Advisor / Consultant Fr. David Fisher

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#### Parish Council

Costa J. Mansour, Michael Marrone, Anne Tayoun, Manal ElHajal, Rosemarie Marrone, Barbara Dahdah, Tony Frangie, Khalil Raie, Nahi Rai, Roger Jebara

#### **Finance Committee**

Philip Rai, Deebeanne Tavani, Terri Koway, Fred Haddad, Paul Kouyoumdji, Denise Eddis, Jimmy Jebara, Jano Frangie

**Festival Chairmen** Billy Tayoun, Tony Frangie

Saint Jude Denise Eddis, Theresa Barry

CCD

#### Director: Janah Szewczyk

**Teachers:** Rania Sukkarieh, Maha Labbad, Samar Dawlabani, Reine Ghazaly, Janah Szewczyk, Sanaa Rizk **Advisors:** Rosemarie Marrone

MYO

#### Director: Zeina Topalian

Advisors: Anne Tayoun, Jocelyne Habib, Fadia Salloum, Maha Labbad

MYA

**Coordinators:** Nahi Rai, Roger Jebara, Frankie Piacentini

Men's Club President: Amin Al Soueidy Vice-President: Samer Hourani

July 2023 Month of the Most Precious Blood



# 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost St. Kyriakos and his Mothe

St. Kyriakos and his Mother Yolitta Martyrs

Feast Day: July 15

**<u>Patron</u>**: Prayed to for family happiness, and the restoring to health of sick children

St. Yolitta was from a noble family. She married a noble man and had a son. The husband died at an early gee while the son was three years old. He left behind y very large estate. St. Yolitta was a very pious woman and very generous toward the poor. When Diocletian began his persecution of the Christians, St. Yolitta left her native land and her estate and went with her son to Tarsus. When they arrived there, the local governor arrested them. He began interrogating her about her country and her religion. She only answered to all his questions: "I am a Christian." He took her and began torturing her, but she never felt any pain and kept repeating: "I am a Christian." When they took the child, he also began screaming: "I am a Christian." The governor became furious and threw the child from a high building where he landed and died.

His mother watched in sadness but kept praising God. The governor' anger increased and he ordered her beheaded.

St. Yolita and her son Kyriakos earned the crown of martyrdom in the year 305. May their prayers be with us.

Source: The Maronite Synaxarion according to the right of The Antiochian Maronite Church

# SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading Romans 8:1-11 **Gospel Reading** Matthew 12:14-21

**Sanctuary Candle** IMO Edmond Tayoun Jr.

#### **DIVINE LITURGIES**

Saturday, July 15, @ 6:00PM, liturgy is offered in memory of Jason Ballan requested by his family. May his soul rest in peace.

Sunday, July 16, @ 11:00AM, liturgy is offered in memory of Fouad and Shushan Raie requested by Khalil and Madeline Raie and family. May their souls rest in peace.

Saturday, July 22, @ 6:00PM, liturgy is offered in memory of the Honorary Counselor Ibrahim Hanna requested by family. May his soul rest in peace.

**Sunday, July 23, @ 11:00AM,** liturgy is offered for a special intention.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

If you are sick and homebound and wish to receive communion at home, please contact: the Church Office at 215-389-2000 or Fr. Andrawos at 978-241-2977.

#### WEEKLY COLLECTION July 8-9, 2023

Collection	\$ 1,137.00
PayPal	\$ 200.00
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	\$ 18.00
Total	\$ 1,355.00

#### **EPARCHIAL LOAN**

Paid OFF Loan Principal and Interest Owed: \$ 57,125.00 Total Amount Paid as of June 2023: <u>\$ 57,125.00</u> Remaining Loan Balance:

\$ 0.00

#### **2023 FESTIVAL**

Total Income	\$ 128,819.67	,
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>\$ 39,063.47</u>	/
PROFIT	\$ 89,756.20	-

#### **UPCOMING**

Sunday, August 6, 2023 Liturgy: The Transfiguration of the Lord

Tuesday, August 15, 2023 Liturgy: Feast of the Assumption

Sunday, September 10, 2023 Liturgy: Exaltation of the Holy Cross

#### Saturday, September 16, 2023

Ordination of deacon Christian Hbaiter to the Priesthood At Saint Anthony Church, Lawrence MA.

Saturday, September 23, 2023 Block Party (working on the permit)

Friday, September 29, 2023 St. Michael Feast Day – Blue Mass At 11 AM

Sunday, October 8, 2023 Appreciation Lunch

October 20-28, 2023 Saint Jude Novena

Saturday, October 28, 2023 Saint Jude Pasta Night

#### JOB OPPORTUNITIES Caregiver

Caregiver is needed to work 2 to 3 days a week from 6am-8pm, including one weekend every 3 weeks (days may vary). The person should also be OK with dogs. If you're interested, please contact Ellie at 267-879-3091.

#### **Restaurant Worker**

A small Lebanese Restaurant in Stroudsburg, PA is looking for help in the kitchen and reception. Full time available (5 days a week). If interested for more details please contact Pascal Akkari (215) 668-6475, or Tony Baroudi (856) 981-5028

#### A quote from Pope Benedict XVI

"Truth and love coincide in Christ. To the extent that we draw close to Christ, in our own lives too, truth and love are blended. Love without truth would be blind; truth without love would be like 'a clanging cymbal.'" (Homily at opening of conclave that elected him, April 18, 2005)

#### **IN OUR PRAYERS Please keep in your prayers**

Carol Bevelhymer, Mary V. (Nelson) Scotti, Mike Devinney, Debbie Freedenberg. Allan Emilio Domingez, Rev. Subdeacon Dr. Mallard Τ. George, Landon Reid, Tamara Lewis, Michael Thomas, Barbara Impriano, Mary McKinney, Jessica McKinney, Angela McKinney, Skyla Simon, Peter Labaki, Nancy Murphy, Marentha Young-Heart, Allison Tretina, Stephanie Devinney, Angela Scorza Anderson, Robert Nigro, Thomas Raymond Jones. Yeckes. Fitzpatrick, Linda Frankie Olivieri, Richy Grande, Marie Eddis, Mia Andrilla, Natalie Ciancaglini, Ashlev Iaconelli, Stephen Bressi, Elissar Ayoub, Joanne Simon-Turing, Suzanne Haney, Linda DiBernardo, Joan Speck, David Joseph Cook, Dennis Strelchuk, Gladys Dalcourt, Denise Furey, Mirta Ruiz, Rita Impo, Jade Kellam, Marion Thomas Branca, Francesca Impo, Lucy DiLuce, Laurent Chidiac, Tom Hart, John Hart, Fadi Jaber, Joseph Realdine, Lisa Alestra, John Nader, Joey Gdowick, Francis Joseph Kerns, Samer Chokeir, Kathy Newman, Rita Arrigale, Maryann Bratton, Renee Sahar, Sister Nahida Al-Sawa, James Cordisio, Stacey Fuentes, Noel Andjuhar, and Angel Salerno.

We ask Almighty God to bless them with good health so that they may join us in the Church and give glory and thanksgiving to God. Please notify the Church office of any family member who is ill so that we may remember them in our daily prayers and on our altar of intention.

### **MYO CORNER**



#### Testemonies

I had an incredible time at the retreat! I loved performing on the piano while representing my church and winning 3rd place at the talent show! The retreat allowed me to deepen my relationship with God through prayers and reflection and to meet new friends.

#### Sandro Boujaoude

The retreat was a very niceexperience for me and my friends. I had a great time getting closer to God and making new friends. I especially loved the food in the dining hall.

#### Joseph Chaaya

The retreat was a pleasant surprise for me. The spiritual aspect was deeply impactful, especially the impromptu conversations which came up. Everyone's energy was thriving. Overall, I had a great time!

#### **Anthony Labbad**

This year's national MYO conference was truly something special. It was an amazing experience getting to connect more with God. I loved confession and the topics. It was so much fun reconnecting with my friends again and dancing at the party. overall, I am so happy I went this year and I'm excited to go next year!

#### Maria Topalian

This years MYO national was one of a kind. I got to reconnect with my friends and become closer to God. The fun part of it was really enjoyable and I'm excited to be going again.

Nai Topalian

## **Upcoming Festivals**

## Allentown, PA



# **Atlantic City, NJ**





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BerroKhoury<br/>SundaySaturdaySundayMiddle Eastern Food & Pastries - Saj - Live Music<br/>Dancing - Hookah - Beer - Kids GamesPlease Join us On These 2 Fun Filled Days!

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# Saint Maron Maronite Catholic Church



July 15-16, 2023

# **First Reading** Romans 8:1-11

#### A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans. Your blessing father...

#### Brothers and Sisters:

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

#### Praise be to God always.

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل رومة

يا إخوتي، إذًا فلاَ حُكْمَ بِالْهَلاكِ بَعْدَ الآنَ على الَّذينَ هُم في المَسِيحِ يَسُوع؛ لأَنَّ شَرِيعَة رُوحِ الحيَاةِ في المَسِيحِ يَسُوع، قَدْ حَرَّرَتْنِي مِنْ شَرِيعَة الخَطِيئَة والمَوت. فإنَّ مَا عَجِزَتُ عَنْهُ الشَّرِيعَة، وقَد أَصْعَفَهَا الجَمَد، أَنْجَزَهُ الله، حينَ أَرْسَلَ آبْنَهُ في جَمَدٍ يُشْبِهُ جَمَدَ الخَطِيئَة، تَكْفيرًا لِلحَطِيئَة، فقَصَى في الجَمَدِ على الخَطِيئَة، لِكَي يَتِمَّ بِرُ الشَّرِيعَة فينَا، نَحْنُ السَّالِكينَ لا بِحَسَبِ الإِسْنانِ الجَمَدِيِّ بَلْ بِحَسَبِ الرُوح؛ لأَنَّ السَّالِكِينَ بِحَسَبِ الإِسْنانِ الجَسَدِيّ، يَرْعَبُونَ في مَا هُوَ لِلجَمَد، والسَّالِكينَ لا بِحَسَبِ الإِسْنانِ الجَسَدِيِّ بَلْ بِحَسَبِ الرُوح، فرَغْبَةُ الجَسَدِ عَلى الخَطِيئَة، لرَّوح فَحَيَاة وَسَلام. لِذلكِ فَرَعْبَةُ الإِسْمَانِ الجَسَدِي عَدَاوَةُ لله، لأَنُّهم فَسَلام. لِنَوْعِ يَرْغَبُونَ في مَا هُوَ لِلرُوح. فرَغْبَةُ الجَسَدِ مَوْت، أَمَّا رَغْبَةُ الرُوح فَحَيَاة وَسَلام. لِذلكِ فَرَعْبَةُ الإِسْمَانِ الجَسَدِي عَدَاوَةُ للله، لأَنُّهم فَلَنَّهم لأَنَّهم لا تَحْضَعُ لِشَرِيعَةِ اللهُ ولا تَسْتَطيعُ ذلكَ. وإنَّ السَّالِكينَ بِحَسَبِ الإِسْمَانِ الجَسَدِيّ، لا يَسْتَطيعُونَ أَنْ يُرْضُوا عَدَاوَةً لله، لأَنَّهم فَلَسَمُ أَنَاسًا جَسَدِييَ بَلْ رُوحِ يَرْعُبُونَ في مَا هُوَ لِلرُوح. فرَغْبَةُ الجَسَدِي الله. أَمَا أَنْتُم فَلَسُمُ أَنَامًا جَسَدِينَ بَنْ رُوحِيون، إِنْ كَانَ حقًا رُوحُ اللَّهِ سَكْمَ . وَلكِنْ مَنْ للْبَسَ فَوَ الله. أَمَا أَنْتُم فَلَسُمُ أَنَامًا جَسَدِينَ بَنْ رُوحِيقُون، إِنْ كَانَ حقًا رُوحُ اللهِ سَاكِنًا فيكُم. وَلكِنْ مَنْ نَسَ لهُ رُوحُ السَمِيح، لَيْسَ هُو الله. أمَّا إذَا كانَ المَسِيحُ فيكُم، فَيْرَعْمِ أَنْ الجَسَدَ مِنْ بَيْنِ الْخُطِيئَة، وَلكَمْ وَيكُم. وَلكُم فَقَسَرِ والله فَرَن كانَ المَسِيح، أَسْ رَبْنُ فَلُنُنُ أَنْ أَنْتُ مُنْ أَسَا عَسَيدِي في فَلُو فَنْ فَنْ مَا عَدْنُ مُونَ أَنْ مُنْتُعُونَ فَنْ أَسْمَانِ الْحَسَدِي اللَّهُ أَنْتُ مُنْتَا أَنْتُمُ أَنْتُمُ أَنْتَ مَا عَرْمَة مِنْ أَسْمَانِي الْحَرْسَانِ الْعَسَدِي أَسُولُ الْمَسِيحِ مَائِنُ مَا إِنْ مَا أَنْهُ مُولُولُ فَلْنَهُ مَا أَنْهُ أَنْ فُنُ مُومًا إِنْ مَا مَنْ مَائِ الْمَالِي أَنْ أَنْ م

والتسبيح لله دائمًا.

# **Gospel Reading** Saint Matthew 12:14-21

### **The Apostle Writes:**

But the Pharisees went out and conspired against him, how to destroy him. When Jesus became aware of this, he departed. Many crowds followed him, and he cured all of them, and he ordered them not to make him known. This was to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah: 'Here is my servant, whom I have chosen, my beloved, with whom my soul is well pleased. I will put my Spirit upon him, and he will proclaim justice to the Gentiles. He will not wrangle or cry aloud, nor will anyone hear his voice in the streets. He will not break a bruised reed or quench a smoldering wick until he brings justice to victory. And in his name the Gentiles will hope.'

This is the truth. Peace be with you.

من إنجيل القديس متى خَرَجَ الفَرِيسِيُونَ فَتَشَاوَرُوا عَلَى يَسُوعَ لِيُهْلِكُوه. وعَلِمَ يَسُوعُ بِالأَمْرِ فَٱنْصَرَفَ مِنْ هُنَاك. وتَبِعَهُ كَثِيرُونَ فَشَفَاهُم جَمِيعًا، وحَذَّرَهُم مِنْ أَنْ يُشْهِرُوه، لِيَتَمَّ مَا قِيْلَ بِالنَّبِيَ آشَعيا: "هُوَذَا فَتَايَ الَّذي الخ بِهِ نَفْسِي. سَأَجْعَلُ رُوحي عَلَيْهِ فَيُبَشِّرُ الأُمَمَ بِالحَقّ. لَنْ يُمَاحِكَ ولَنْ يَصيح، ولَنْ يَسْمَعَ أَحَدٌ صَوْتَهُ في السَّاحَات. قَصَبَةً مَرْضُوضَةً لَنْ يَكْسِر، وفَتِيلَةً مُدَخِّنَةً لَنْ يُطْفِئ، إلى أَنْ يَصيح، ولَنْ يَسْمَعَ أَحَدٌ صَوْتَهُ في تَجْعَلُ الأُمَمُ رَجَاءَها.